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Alumni Spotlight:  
The Rev. Anne Jolly, T'13

The Rev. Anne Jolly, T'13, is not afraid to try something different. As Rector of St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Deerfield, Illinois, Anne has embraced a model of "mutual ministry," as she describes it. St. Gregory's currently collaborates with three other Episcopal churches within the Diocese of Chicago, pooling ideas and resources. Anne acknowledges that taking a new approach can be difficult, but, she says, "We are so much better together." Read more [here](#).

Coming Soon - EfM Short Courses!

Education for Ministry (EfM) participants frequently describe the program as life-changing, however, not everyone who feels called to ministry can make a four-year commitment. The School of Theology is preparing to create a series of short EfM courses, including new content for EfM alums who want a "fifth year" of the program. As of March 7, we have raised more than \$57,000 toward the \$80,000 we need to launch our courses. Read more about the short courses [here](#), and click [here](#) to make a gift.



Tiger Tuesday Roars In...

If you soon find a tiger in your inbox, don't be alarmed! Tiger Tuesday, Sewanee's annual day of giving, is set for April 5. Your gift to the School of Theology on Tiger Tuesday will support every part of our mission—from providing scholarships for our seminarians to ensuring the continuation of EfM and other vital programs. We are so thankful for your support!



Donor Profile:  
Scott and Sarah Walter

Scott and Sarah Walter have no particular affiliation to Sewanee—they are not alumni and have never visited the campus—but they have regularly donated to the School of Theology for a decade. As Scott describes, their giving was initially prompted by a conversation with the former pastor of their church, Trinity Episcopal Church in Red Bank, New Jersey.

"He talked about the importance of making an annual commitment," Scott notes, "and he said that part of the donation should support a seminary." Reflecting on his pastor's advice, Scott says it was easy to understand the rationale. "Seminary is not free—it requires an investment," he says. "Like in any profession, some people don't have the financial means to pursue their calling. I am glad to do anything that will lessen the burden of people who want to spread the word of God." Scott and Sarah researched options for their giving, and they were impressed by Sewanee's strong reputation and Anglican traditions. "My wife loves Anglican services, especially the music," Scott says. When they toured Sewanee online, they also fell in love with our setting. "It's an absolutely beautiful campus," Scott says. "Perfect for introspection and spiritual reflection."

Calling All Youth: SUMMA Now Accepting Applications!

Applications are now being accepted for SUMMA Theological Debate Camp 2022. Join us this summer from July 19-27 on the beautiful Sewanee campus. SUMMA is open to high school students entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2022. We welcome campers from all backgrounds and faith traditions. The application deadline is May 15, 2022. Find more information [here](#).



Help the Creation Care Committee Develop Green Programming

Sewanee's [Creation Care Committee](#) (CCC) is seeking input from Episcopal clergy who incorporate environmental stewardship into their ministries. If you lead or participate in a creation care group, the CCC

would appreciate your response to a brief survey. Survey results will be used by the CCC to guide their development of eco-conscious programming for local churches.

Take the CCC survey!

Upcoming Events

- On Apr. 5, The Rev. Dr. Gayle Fisher-Stewart will give a lecture at Convocation Hall titled "Preaching Your Authentic Self." The lecture will be held at 4:30 p.m., CDT, with a reception and book sale and signing to follow. The Rev. Melissa L. Kean, T'19, Memorial Lecture was created in 2021 to honor School of Theology seminarian Melissa Kean and her work to elevate women priests. You can register for a live-stream of the lecture by clicking on this link.
- ONE more spot is available for our Alumni Retreat, which will take place from Apr. 19-22 at Rivendell Spiritual Center in Sewanee. Click on this link to see the schedule, and email Jesse Bornemann ([jabornem@sewanee.edu](mailto:jabornem@sewanee.edu)) to register!
- Save the date for the 2022 Alumni Lectures and Homecoming, scheduled for Sept. 27-29. Guest lecturer Mark D. Jordan will focus on the diversity of theological languages.

Job Opportunities

\*To submit an opening for a future newsletter, reply to this newsletter with the link and/or any additional information.

- Head of School, Christ Church Day School, Coronado, CA
- Assistant to/Associate Rector, Christ Church, Georgetown, Washington, DC
- Priest-in-Charge, Saint Alban's Episcopal Church, Monroe, GA
- Priest-in-Charge / Associate Priest, Calvary Episcopal Church & St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Glen Ellyn, IL
- Associate Rector for Church Growth, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church of Ridgewood, Ridgewood, NJ

Notable

- Dr. David Starks, assistant professor of homiletics, recently contributed an essay to a book titled *Unmasking White Preaching* (Lexington Books). The book examines the impact of white racialization in homiletics.

In Memoriam

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.

\*Click the photos to view obituaries.



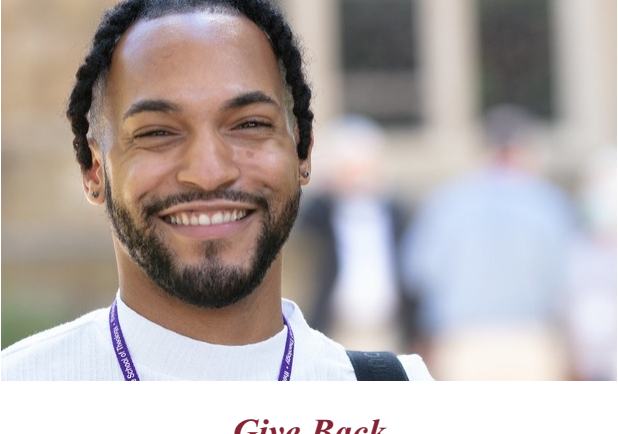
The Rev. Dr. Philip LeRoy Culbertson, Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology (1985-1992)



The Rev. Canon Matthew Stockard, T'86

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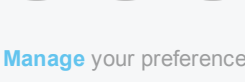
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